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WM. M. SIMS.

Vice-President,

LEILA J. LINDLEY.

Secretary,

ANNIE LUTHER.

Treasurer,

MATIE JOHNSTON.

Marshal,

P. C. FARNSWORTH.

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| GUSSIE CARROLL, | LEILA J. LINDLEY, |
| MINNIE RICHARDSON, | FLORENCE MCKUNE, |
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Articles of Incorporation.

Know All Men by These Presents: That the persons whose names are subscribed hereto, and those that have been heretofore associated together with them in a voluntary association or society known as "The Sons and Daughters of the Sacramento Society of California Pioneers," have formed and do hereby form themselves into a corporation, and have prepared and do hereby prepare these Articles of Incorporation, and do hereby set forth and declare :

First—That the name of said Corporation shall be and is "THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE SACRAMENTO SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA PIONEERS."

Second—That the purposes for which it is formed, and its objects, are to cultivate the social virtues of its members; to collect and preserve information connected with the early settlement and conquest of the country; to perpetuate the memory of those whose sagacity, enterprise and love of independence induced them to settle in a wilderness and become the germ of a new State; to own, hold, buy and sell real estate and personal

property, and to loan and invest its money; to take and hold property in trust, and to take care of the cemetery plot of the Sacramento Society of California Pioneers.

Third—That its principal place of business is Sacramento, County of Sacramento, State of California.

Fourth—That the term for which it is to exist is fifty (50) years after the date of its incorporation.

Fifth—That it has no capital stock.

Sixth—That the number of its Trustees, or Directors, shall be nine (9), and the names and residences of those who are appointed for the first term, or year, are as follows, viz.:

Mrs. Gussie Carroll ; residence, Sacramento, California.

Miss Minnie Richardson ; residence, Sacramento, California.

Miss Leila J. Lindley ; residence, Sacramento, California.

Miss Florence McKune ; residence, Sacramento, California.

C. E. Mack, Jr.; residence, Union House, Sacramento County, California.

W. M. Sims ; residence, Sacramento, California.

W. A. Gett, Jr.; residence, Sacramento, California.

W. E. Osborn ; residence, Sacramento, California.

H. M. La Rue, Jr.; residence, Sacramento, California.

Seventh—That at a meeting of such society, or voluntary association, held at its hall, known as the Pioneer Hall, Seventh Street, between J and K streets, in the City of Sacramento, State of California, on the evening of the ninth day of May, 1891, an election was held for Directors, or Trustees, of said association, under its laws, rules and regulations; that at such election a majority of the members present voted at such election. The persons whose names appear in Paragraph Sixth hereof were elected as the Directors of this association for the term of one year, or until their successors are elected and qualified, from said date; that the officers of said association who conducted said election were V. S. McClatchy, President, and Leila J. Lindley, Secretary, respectively; that on said ninth day of May, 1891, at its hall of meeting aforesaid, in the City of Sacramento, State of California, pursuant to notice duly given, the members of said association met for the purpose of incorporation; that the said meeting having been duly organized, V. S. McClatchy, President, presiding, and Leila J. Lindley, Secretary, acting as Secretary, a majority of the members present voting, it was unanimously resolved that said association should thenceforth assume corporate powers, with

the Directors heretofore named and duly elected as its Directors.

WITNESS our hands this 28th day of July, 1891.

MRS. GUSSIE CARROLL.
MISS MINNIE RICHARDSON.
MISS LEILA J. LINDLEY.
MISS FLORENCE MCKUNE.
C. E. MACK, JR.
W. M. SIMS.
W. A. GETT, JR.
W. E. OSBORN.
H. M. LA RUE, JR.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, }
County of Sacramento. } ss.

On this 28th day of July, in the year 1891, before me, Edward J. Dwyer, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared Gussie Carroll, Minnie Richardson, Leila J. Lindley, Florence McKune, C. E. Mack, Jr., W. M. Sims, W. A. Gett, Jr., W. E. Osborn and H. M. La Rue, Jr., known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

EDWARD J. DWYER,
Notary Public.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, }
County of Sacramento. } ss.

V. S. McClatchy and Leila J. Lindley, being duly sworn, say, respectively : That they are the persons and officers referred to in the Seventh Subdivision of the Articles of Incorporation of "The Sons and Daughters of the Sacramento Society of California Pioneers," and have heard read said Articles, and that all the facts set forth in Subdivision Seven are true.

V. S. McCLATCHY.

LEILA J. LINDLEY.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of July, 1891.

EDWARD J. DWYER,
Notary Public.

CONSTITUTION.

PREAMBLE.

The Sacramento Society of California Pioneers having proposed to us that we incorporate with only the lineal descendants of members of that Society as corporators, to which all its property interests shall at a proper time be transferred, charged with its management and the proper care of its cemetery plot in perpetuity, this corporation is therefore organized in accordance with that proposition, and it accepts the trust, and engages to execute the same, and for all time take good care of the graves of our ancestors, and as best we may, perpetuate the memory of the present Society.

ARTICLE I—*Name.*

This Association shall be called "THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE SACRAMENTO SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA PIONEERS."

ARTICLE II—*Qualifications for Membership.*

SECTION I. This Society shall be composed of Sons and Daughters of the members in good standing of the Sacramento Society of California Pio-

neers, or of deceased members who died in good standing, and of lineal descendants of such Sons and Daughters. Applicants for membership must have attained the age of eighteen years and be of good moral character.

SEC. 2. ' All members in good standing of the Sacramento Society of California Pioneers are hereby made Honorary Members of this Society, with the privilege of speech and debate, but without the privilege of voting.

ARTICLE III—*Elections.*

SECTION 1. Any person desiring to become a member of this Society may have his or her name proposed, in writing, at any meeting, and the vote shall be taken by ballot at the next meeting, and ten negative votes shall be sufficient to reject his or her application. Any person who shall have been once balloted for and rejected shall not again be proposed for membership within one year from said rejection.

SEC. 2. The Officers of the Society shall be elected annually by ballot at the regular meeting in October, at which meeting a majority of all votes cast shall be necessary to elect.

SEC. 3. The Officers of this Society shall consist of nine Directors. The Directors shall choose from their number a President and Vice-President, who shall be theirs and the Society's President and

Vice-President for the ensuing year ; a Recording and Financial Secretary ; a Treasurer, and a Marshal, who shall assume the duties of their respective offices on the Monday next succeeding their election, and shall hold their offices for one year, or until their successors shall have been elected and assumed their duties.

ARTICLE IV—*Meetings.*

Regular meetings of this Society shall be held at Pioneer Hall, City of Sacramento, California, at such times as may be designated in the By-Laws of the Society. Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Special meetings may be called by the President, by the Board of Directors, or by five members making application therefor, in writing, to the President.

ARTICLE V—*Appropriation of Funds.*

Each person, on admission, shall pay such fees as shall be prescribed by the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI—*Board of Directors.*

The Directors shall hold their first meeting on the Monday next succeeding their election, at which time it shall be their duty to elect, by ballot, from their number, a President and Vice-President, who shall act as such officers of their Board and of their Society for the ensuing year.

They shall also elect from the Society a Secretary, a Treasurer and a Marshal. The Board shall hold regular meetings in Pioneer Hall, City of Sacramento, California, on the first Saturday of the first month of each and every quarter. At all meetings of the Board five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and they shall fill all vacancies which may occur in their body. The President or any three members may call a special meeting by a notice in writing delivered to each Director by the Secretary.

ARTICLE VII—*By-Laws.*

The Board of Directors shall enact By-Laws for the government of the Society, which, with all their proceedings, shall be laid before the Society at the first meeting thereafter; and it shall be competent for the Society to propose, alter, amend, reject or enact any By-Laws by a majority of the members, of not less than thirty, present at any stated meeting, and in no other way.

ARTICLE VIII—*President.*

The President shall preside over and preserve order at all meetings of the Society and Board of Directors. He shall approve all accounts previous to their being paid by the Treasurer, which have been approved by the Board of Directors, and at the expiration of his term of office shall address

the members upon the condition and requirements of the Society.

ARTICLE IX — *Vice-President.*

The Vice-President, in the absence of the President, shall assume the duties and be invested with all the powers of President.

ARTICLE X — *Secretary.*

The Secretary shall keep correct minutes of all proceedings of the Society, preserve a register of the members' names and their Postoffice address, keep a correct account with the members, and collect and pay to the Treasurer the moneys due to the Society, taking his receipt for the same; and he shall be responsible for the safe keeping of all the books and papers belonging to the Society, excepting those of the Treasurer; he shall certify all accounts and records under the direction of the Board of Directors, and countersign all orders on the Treasurer signed by the President; he shall make reports of his accounts at such times as may be required by the Society; he shall report the name of each member in arrears to the Society immediately preceding the election for officers; he shall give the members and Board of Directors proper notice of all meetings. He shall be exempt from the payment of dues, and from serving on

committees, and shall receive as compensation for all services the sum of twenty dollars per annum.

ARTICLE XI - *Treasurer.*

The Treasurer shall receive and safely keep the funds of the Society, recording all receipts and disbursements in a book provided for him for such purpose, and shall report the same semi-annually and at such other periods as the Society or Board of Directors may require. He shall pay no money without an order signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary. At the expiration of his term of office he shall deliver all books and papers, moneys, vouchers and other property belonging to the Society in his possession into the hands of his successor. The Treasurer shall give bonds for faithful discharge of his duties in such sum as may be fixed by the Board of Directors, and approved by them.

ARTICLE XII—*Marshal.*

In all cases of public parade, while on the street the Society shall be under the direction of the Marshal.

ARTICLE XIII—*Penalties.*

Any member who may be in arrears at any regular meeting, or who shall refuse to pay his annual

or other dues when called upon by the Secretary, shall be ineligible to office, to vote at any meeting, or enjoy the honors of this Society in any manner until such time as all arrears shall have been paid.

ARTICLE XIV—*Anniversary.*

The annual celebration day of this Society shall be the 19th day of January.

ARTICLE XV—*Fines and Punishments.*

Members guilty of misconduct or crime may be expelled or suspended by a vote of two thirds of the members present at any stated meeting, provided there be not less than thirty members present; and any officer of this Society, having first had an opportunity to make a defense, may be removed from his office by the Board of Directors for such cause as in its opinion may be sufficient, providing that such proceedings shall have no effect unless it is by a two-thirds vote of all the Directors present, there being not less than seven, at any meeting.

ARTICLE XVI—*Alterations or Amendments.*

This Constitution shall not be altered or amended unless by a vote of two-thirds of the active members present at a regular meeting. All such alterations

or amendments must be proposed at some meeting at least three months prior to passing thereon, and it shall not be in the power of this Society to alter or amend in any way or manner Article II of this Constitution.



BY-LAWS.

SECTION 1. *Meetings.* The meetings of this Society shall be held on the evenings of the first Saturday of each month. The time of meeting shall be 8 P. M.

SEC. 2. *Applications for Membership.* The fee for initiation shall be \$2 50. No application will be considered unless the initiation fee and dues for one year accompany it. Application for membership shall be made in writing at any meeting, stating the name, residence, age, birthplace, profession or business, and whether married or single. The application shall then be referred to a committee of three, appointed by the President, for investigation. At the next regular meeting, and after the report of the investigating committee, the vote shall be taken by ballot; and ten negative votes shall be sufficient to reject the application. All persons so elected shall sign the Constitution and By-laws, and will then have become a member of this Society.

SEC. 3. *Dues.* The annual dues shall be \$1 00, payable annually in advance; and any member failing to pay the same for the period of one year shall lose his membership, as hereinafter provided.

All dues shall commence on the first day of January of each year. At the regular meeting of the Society in November of each year the Secretary shall read the name of each member who has not paid his or her dues for the current year, and shall, within ten days thereafter, notify each delinquent in writing that if he or she is in arrears on the last Saturday following, his or her membership will cease. At the regular meeting in December the names of all those whose dues remain unpaid shall be read for the second time, and at the regular meeting in January all remaining shall be read for the last time, and the President shall announce to the meeting that they have ceased membership.

Any person who has ceased membership for non-payment of dues may make application in writing for reinstatement, and the application must be read at a regular meeting and lay over until the next regular meeting, at which time the applicant shall be balloted for with ball ballot, and if ten or more negative ballots appear, the application shall be rejected; but if less than ten negative ballots appear, the applicant shall be admitted upon payment of such sum as was unpaid at the time he or she ceased membership

SEC. 4. *Life Membership.* Any person who is entitled to become a member of this Society, upon the payment of \$25 00 shall be elected to become a life member thereof.

SEC. 5. *Frauds.* Any person who shall become a member fraudulently, shall be expelled from the Society.

SEC. 6. *Secretary's Report.* The Secretary shall keep the following records: A record of the transactions at the regular and special meetings of the Society, and a record of the transactions of the meetings of the Board of Directors; a record of membership, showing names and residence, with column for remarks, in which shall be noted the resignation, decease, or any action of the Society affecting the status of members; an application record, in which the names of applicants for membership shall be entered, showing the date of application, name and residence, by whom proposed, to whom referred, the final action of the Society and whether the parties have signed the Constitution.

SEC. 7. *Funerals.* It shall be the duty of all members of the Society to attend the funerals of deceased brethren and sisters, unless excused by the President.

SEC. 8. *Dues May Be Remitted.* When the Board of Directors are satisfied that any worthy member of the Society is for the present unable to pay the annual dues, they shall have the power to remit such dues.

We, the undersigned, a majority of the Directors of the Sons and Daughters of the Sacramento Society of California Pioneers, hereby certify that the foregoing By-Laws have been duly adopted as the By-laws of said Society.

Witness our hands this 4th day of August, 1891 :

GUSSIE CARROLL,
MINNIE RICHARDSON,
FLORENCE MCKUNE,
LEILA J. LINDLEY,
WM. M. SIMS,
WILLIAM E. OSBORN,
WILLIAM A. GETT, JR.,
HUGH M. LA RUE, JR.,
CHAS E. MACK, JR.

Order of Business.

1. Reading of Minutes.
2. Propositions for Membership.
3. Reports of Committees on Membership.
4. Balloting for Members.
5. Introduction of New Members.
6. Reports of Standing Committees.
7. Reports of Special Committees.
8. Unfinished Business.
9. Communications.
10. New Business.

OFFICERS:

President :

WM. M. SIMS.

Vice-President :

LELIA J. LINDLEY.

Secretary :

ANNIE L. LUTHER.

Treasurer :

MATIE J. EDINGER.

Marshal :

PERCY E. FARNSWORTH.

Directors :

MINNIE RICHARDSON,
FLORENCE McKUNE,
LELIA J. LINDLEY,
GUSSIE CARROLL,
WM. M. SIMS,
H. M. LA RUE, JR.,
CHAS. E. MACK, JR.,
WM. E. OSBORN,
W. A. GETT, JR.

MEMBERS:

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| Aiken, James, | Allen, Jennie, |
| Aiken, Jessie, | Andrews, Nellie, |
| Aiken, Katie, | Arenz, Belle, |
| Aiken, Lizzie, | Arenz, Lulu, |
| Aiken, Mattie, | |
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| Burnett, Chas. L., | Burnett, Henry, |
| Burnett, Florence, | |
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| Cadogan, John P., | Catlin, Ruth, |
| Cadogan, Maria A., | Chapman, Mrs. E. M., |
| Capen, Hattie DeMerritt, | Chapman, Miss F. A., |
| Carroll, Elgar B., | Colegrove, May M., |
| Carroll, Gussie, | |
| DeMerritt, Mrs. D. E., | DeValin, George, |
| DeMerritt, Emma F., | Dunlap, Nellie, |
| Edinger, Matie J., | Eilers, Mrs. Theo., |
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| Farnsworth, P. E., | Freeman, Fred, |
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| Figg, George L., | Freeman, Grant, |
| Figg, Susie, | Freeman, Lenore, |
| Fitzgerald, Mary Alvord, | Freeman, Wm., |

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| Garrett, Hiram, | Grahm, Jennie, |
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| Garrett, May, | Green, Chas., |
| Gett, Lucy, | Green, Ella, |
| Gett, W. A., Jr., | Griffith, Mrs. Fred, |
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| Henley, Belle, | Hunt, Mary Lindley, |
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| Jackson, Julia L., | Johnston, Frank J., |
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| Johnston, Belle, | |
| Kenney, Clara, | Knight, Mary Reid, |
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| Leonard, Ben, | Logan, Jessie, |
| Leonard, Chas., | Lorenz, Geo. M., |
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| Lindley, Douglas A., | |
| Mack, Chas. E., Jr., | Megowan, David, |
| McClatchy, C. K., | Megowan, Mary E., |
| McClatchy, V. S., | Merritt, W. A., |

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| McCleery, Ella, | Montfort, Lou, |
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| Norris, Frank M., | North, Mrs. O., |
| Norris, W. E., | |
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| O'Brien, Will J., | |
| Patterson, James G., | Prentice, Arthur D., |
| Patterson, J. G., | Prentice, Sarah F., |
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| Powers, Chas., | Prideaux, Martha, |
| Powers, Jennie, | Putnam, George P., |
| Powers, Lucius, | |
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| Richardson, Joey, | Russell, Ben, |
| Richardson, Minnie, | Russell, Mary I., |
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| Siddons, Nellie, | Studarus, Florence, |
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Sims, Paul R.,
Sims, Wm. M.,

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Treichler, Hattie,
Treichler, Henry,

Van Voorhies, Georgia,

Weil, Laura,
Williams, Carrie R. ,
Wilson, Mary B.,

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